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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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It is hereby requested that the Patent Office inform the undersigned, in the form of a written response, of the approximate date on which the Letters Patent for the above-identified application will be received. Payment of the Issue Fee was made on November 21, 2002, but to date neither the patent nor further correspondence (e.g., an Issue Fee Notification) has been received.

If you have any questions, please contact Applicants' representative Chien Yuan at 703-412-3536. A duplicate of this request and a prepaid return envelope are enclosed for your convenience.

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